

WIND ON THE WIRES: Responses to Questions posted to Michigan Energy Forum Website

30. How has the current law regarding the electric market structure (i.e. electric choice) dealt with renewable energy compliance? How have other states with deregulated and regulated systems addressed compliance?

Customer Choice and the RES Compliance operate concurrently. The Michigan PSC reports that customer choice participation levels for Detroit Edison and Consumers Energy are at maximum levels, and that both are making “substantial progress” towards complying with the RES.

The alternative energy suppliers in Michigan have indicated their intention to purchase RECs to meet the RES requirements, and have “incurred little or no costs associated with complying with the (RES) statute at this time.” (Michigan PSC, *Report on the Implementation of the PA 295 Renewable Energy Standard and the Cost-Effectiveness of the energy Standards* at 14 (2/12/2013)).

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